

ELECTION STANDS

(Associated Press Cable to The Star).

WASHINGTON, D. C., Feb. 22.—The House has adopted a resolution declaring it inexpedient at this time to investigate the alleged illegality of the election of the delegate from Hawaii to the Fifty-ninth Congress.

MURDERER WEBER FOUND GUILTY.

AUBURN, Cal., Feb. 22.—Adolf Weber was found guilty of murder in the first degree by the jury here today. Weber killed his father, mother, sister and brother by shooting them. He then set fire to their house in order to burn the remains and conceal the trace of his horrible crimes.

REDUCING TARIFF FOR PHILIPPINES.

WASHINGTON, D. C., Feb. 22.—A favorable report has been received from the House Committee authorizing a bill reducing the duty on tobacco and sugar from the Philippines to 25 per cent of the Dingley tariff.

BERLIN BELIEVES PEACE RUMORS.

BERLIN, Feb. 22.—Much credence is given in official circles here to the peace reports from Russia.

ST. PETERSBURG DENIES PEACE RUMORS.

ST. PETERSBURG, Feb. 22.—It is declared that there has been no move made looking to the termination of the war with Japan.

CZAR YIELDING TO STRIKERS.

BERLIN, Feb. 22.—The Russian Emperor has ordered that the demands of the striking railroad employees be granted.

RUSSIAN RAIDERS BECOMING ACTIVE.

TIENTSIN, Feb. 22.—Russian cavalry raiders have damaged the railroad in Manchuria, by which Oyama receives supplies for his forces.

RUSSIANS CONTINUING THEIR BOMBARDMENT.

TOKIO, Feb. 22.—The Russian forces are continuing the bombardment of Oyama's position.

KAISER AND ROOSEVELT DOCTORED.

PHILADELPHIA, Feb. 22.—Kaiser William and President Roosevelt have been made doctors of laws by the University of Pennsylvania.

WILL APPEAL TO WASHINGTON

The cases of the Territory against James E. Fullerton may find their way into the United States Supreme Court, in view of contentions made by the defense in briefs and an affidavit filed yesterday with Judge De Bolt, in support of motions to quash the indictments, and pleas in bar. The names of four attorneys are signed to the briefs. They are George A. Davis, J. J. Dunne, Frank E. Thompson and A. M. Brown. The question of the right of the prosecution to proceed under new indictments, in a case where a nolle prosequi has been entered once has been raised as a constitutional question.

The affidavit filed yesterday is by Judge Robinson, who heard the last Fullerton case. The case came on for trial during the last term and was duly set for hearing before Robinson. The defense was ready and demanded a trial and after argument the court refused a continuance. A nolle prosequi was then entered and the defendant was released, as is set forth in Judge Robinson's affidavit. The same matter was, however, brought up before the next Grand Jury, and Fullerton was indicted for malicious injury and for assault and battery. The cases grew out of the Bertleman civil suits. Fullerton was tried once, but the jury disagreed. Then came the second effort to have a trial, ending with a nolle prosequi, and now he has two indictments instead of the original one and is in a fair way to be mixed up with the courts all the way to Washington. All this, as is alleged, is a result of his efforts to elect Mary Bertleman from property on which he had foreclosed. Davis has already filed two briefs at the court, and no one knows how many more are coming. He declares the course of the Attorney General to be "unusual, extraordinary and unlawful."

"There is no end to the matter if cases can be nolle prosequi and then started over again," said Davis. "The question involves the rights and liberties of every citizen. Under the plan followed an attorney general might keep indictments over a man's head all his life and never try him, for every time the court ordered a trial he might enter a nolle and then have another indictment found. The case will be appealed to the United States Supreme Court if we have to carry it there."

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FRENZIED FINANCE IN HONOLULU

CONCERN WHICH IS DOING BUSINESS HERE IS ORDERED TO CEASE OPERATIONS IN SAN FRANCISCO, BY AN INJUNCTION ISSUED BY UNITED STATES JUDGE MORROW—WAS COLLECTING LARGE SUMS FROM THE PUBLIC.

A frenzied finance concern which has been doing a lot of business in Honolulu is the subject of an injunction issued by United States Judge Morrow of San Francisco prohibiting the concern from continuing its peculiar kind of business. The company was engaged in peddling gold brick contracts by which weekly subscriptions were collected from the public as payments on diamond contracts. It is said that the company was gathering in about a thousand dollars a day when the court ordered it to stop.

The company has had a Honolulu agency for some time, and is doing a big business here. Many natives and others, especially of the laboring class are paying in money regularly.

As to the San Francisco end of the business the Examiner has the following:

"The ancient searcher for the philosopher's stone became so accustomed to casting away the pebbles he touched with his wand that before he realized that the last one had changed his rod to pure gold he had already thrown it into the sea.

"The Empire Diamond has been the true philosopher's stone to thousands. Extract from the literature of a get-rich-quick concern.

"This is the very poetry of finance and it was effective to the tune of

something like \$1000 a day for a considerable period, notwithstanding that Uncle Sam through the Postoffice department had branded the concern as a fraud.

"Judge Morrow in the United States Circuit Court issued an order restraining the Empire Diamond Company and its successor, the Fidelity Funding Co. from continuing business. The suit is brought by F. W. Sawyer, attorney for some of those who bought the philosopher's stone contracts issued by the defendant.

"Get-rich-quick concerns, like other swindlers, indulge in frequent changes of name. In the case of the Empire Diamond Company the directors, after valuing their interest in the corporation at \$200,000, transferred this capitalization to the Fidelity Funding Company, "which value," says the complaint, "was wholly fictitious, as the value of their joint interest consisted merely in their personal and individual ability to obtain money under false representations and defraud the public."

"These two concerns issued about 21,000 contracts, which the Postoffice department says are fraudulent. The directors are W. L. Pierce, F. L. Dever, R. J. Carpenter, E. L. Hedges and L. Boyle. Pierce was formerly a Superior Court Judge in San Diego. Dever is a bookkeeper."

Local People May Get Work In Panama Service

THE PHYSICAL TEST WAS MORE SEVERE THAN THE MENTAL EXAMINATIONS—PROBABLE THAT ALL PASSING GOOD PHYSICAL EXAMINATIONS WILL BE GIVEN APPOINTMENTS IN THE VARIOUS BRANCHES OF WORK.

The Civil Service examinations for positions in the government's Panama service closed here last Saturday. They were conducted under the direction of John Short of the local Customs service. With the exception of civil engineers and sanitary inspectors the mental examinations are not difficult. Particular attention was paid, however to the physical condition of the applicants. In fact this was the severest test required by the government. The purpose of the government in exacting such a strong test is the evident intention not to allow people unable to stand the climate of Panama region to go down there and become ill and perhaps die.

The opinion of the government people here seems to be that almost any body passing a good physical examination will be given the appointment. About fifty candidates took the examinations. Some of the work examined for was railroad, steam and air drilling and carpentering. The results of the examinations will not be known for some time. All of the documents are to be forwarded to Washington for marking. Short expects some more papers from people residing on the other islands.

Civil service examinations for positions in the local custom service were taken by 18 candidates and for the postal service by twelve people.

BERRY TO BE DISBARRED

FORMER HONOLULU ATTORNEY WHO WAS SUSPENDED FROM PRACTICE MAY BE DISBARRED.

The Manila Cablenews of February 2 contains the following which will interest many in Honolulu.

The Bar Association meets Sunday morning when the question of the disbarment of several attorneys will be discussed.

Among the most notorious names to be considered are those of Pablo Trinidad of unsavory fame, and Felipe Calderon, whose irregularities in connection with the Francisco Hilario estate led to his temporary disbarment by Judge Sweeney. It is said also that F. J. Berry who runs the Manila American and who was recently suspended from practice in the islands by Judge Linnbarger for crookedness toward poor native clients will be brought up for disbarment.

F. J. Berry formerly practiced law in Honolulu.

GOOD SUMS FOR THE LIGHTHOUSES

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The ship Hawaiian Isles should have departed this week from Kaimanila for Philadelphia.

JAPANESE WILL BUY OUT ELKS

NEW CLUB TO TAKE OVER PRESENT QUARTERS AND ELKS WILL ACQUIRE NEW PROPERTY.

The erection of a new building or the acquisition of some suitable residence has already been decided upon by the Honolulu Elks and within a very short time the city will have another club house of which it will have cause to be proud. Financial considerations have already been arranged and a fortunate circumstance enables the Elks to turn over the 18 year lease of the premises they now hold at the corner of Miller and Beretania streets. A number of Japanese residents have decided on founding a new club and a hui has been formed for the purpose of taking over the Elks present quarters.

The new Japanese club will be well appointed and up-to-date in every way. While adopting western methods of clubdom, it will be essentially Japanese in its appointments and it will aim at a decided measure of exclusiveness.

ROSECRANS HELD TO GET REFINED SUGAR

Refined sugar is being rushed to San Francisco. Cable orders were received yesterday ordering the departure of the S. S. Rosecrans postponed until tomorrow in order that she should load 300 tons of refined sugar from Honolulu Plantation.

The Rosecrans discharged a full cargo of fuel oil for the Pacific Oil Transportation Company. She will probably get to San Francisco ahead of the S. S. Mongolia which is due here Sunday from the Orient en route to the mainland.

All the government offices on the water front were closed today owing to the occasion being a national holiday.

BRIGHT PROSPECT

THE STATUS OF LEGISLATION FOR HAWAII AS SEEN BY DELEGATE KALANIANA'OLE—THE SWAYNE IMPEACHMENT TRIAL WILL INTERFERE WITH MANY THINGS—OPPOSITION TO DESHA HAS BEEN WITHDRAWN.

WASHINGTON, Feb. 7th, 1905. Editor Star.—The past ten days have been active ones for Hawaiian measures although only my bill for giving American register to the steam lighter "Pioneer" has yet reached consideration in the House.

On Thursday last I secured the consent of the Speaker to call that bill up under unanimous consent, and it promptly passed the House, but will I believe have difficulty in passing the Senate.

On Tuesday, January 3rd, my secretary and myself appeared before the Committee on Appropriations and presented our needs for small coast lights at the little steamer landings, and were given assurance of provision for at least twenty-five of these small lights.

On Wednesday, February 1st, the Committee on Election gave us a hearing on the protest made by the Home Rule party. Secretary Atkinson made a detailed explanation of the election supplies and the purpose of the numbered ballots. He was sharply questioned by Chairman Olmsted as will be seen by the report of the hearing. Mr. McClellan followed him with a strong argument showing why it would be an injustice to the entire Territory to grant the request of a small minor-

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THE YOUNG BUILDING PROJECT IS DEAD

DELEGATE KALANIANA'OLE SAYS THE SUPERVISING ARCHITECT OF THE TREASURY HAS REPORTED STRONGLY AGAINST THE YOUNG BUILDING AS A FEDERAL BUILDING.

WASHINGTON, Feb. 7. Editor Star.—The Supervising Architect of the Treasury Department has reported strongly against the Young building, saying that it is not practicable to convert it to Federal uses at any reasonable cost, this undoubtedly settled any question remaining in the minds of the House committee. The only result that can come from the efforts of those that are still pushing the Cushman bill will be to defer any appropriation for the purchase of a building site, and I consider their persistent work of that bill to be unwarranted, and distinctly opposed to the interest of the Territory.

Today my secretary and myself again presented the Federal building matter before Chairman Gillett and a sub-committee. Mr. McClellan made an extended statement presenting the case with all its bearings, and at the close we were assured by Chairman Gillett that the merits of our case were thoroughly established, and it would simply be a question of whether the small bill of this year could admit any large building. We particularly urged on the committee the fact that the possible condemnation proceedings would necessitate delay, and hence it was important that we at least be given funds for a building site by this Congress.

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J. KALANIANA'OLE.

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